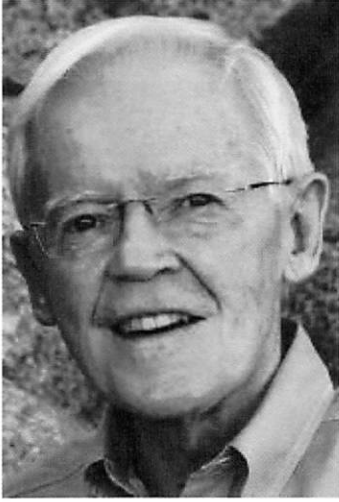


Robert Joseph Kavanaugh, 79



Robert Joseph Kavanaugh, 79, of Duxbury, died Feb. 16, 2017, with his family by his side. Bob leaves behind his dearly loved wife of 46 years, Claire (Blackley) Kavanaugh. He also leaves two sons, Andrew Kavanaugh; and Thomas and his wife Megan Kavanaugh; two grandchildren, Peter and Ewan Kavanaugh; and a daughter, Deirdre Kavanaugh.

The second of 13 brothers and sisters, Bob is survived by Kenneth and wife Mary Kavanaugh; Edward and wife Kathleen Kavanaugh; Douglas Kavanaugh; Elaine and husband Michael Lang; Marie and husband Frederick Bolwell; Carol Kavanaugh; Stephen and wife Mary Kavanaugh; Kevin and wife Susan Kavanaugh; and John and wife Patricia Kavanaugh. He was predeceased by Howard Kavanaugh, Paul Kavanaugh and Patricia (Kavanaugh) Melvin.

Born in East Boston and raised in Dorchester, Bob was the son of Patrick and Elizabeth (Flynn) Kavanaugh. He graduated from Boston Latin School in 1954 and Boston College in 1958 with a bachelor's degree in accounting. Upon graduation, he joined Arthur Andersen, where he spent his entire 38-year career. He worked for 19 years in Boston prior to being named the managing partner of the Pittsburgh office. A truly devoted husband, Bob met his wife, Claire in 1968, and they were married two years later in Crystal Beach, Ontario.

In addition to his love of family and his faith, Bob was dedicated to the communities in which he lived. He spent much of his free time in roles volunteering with various organizations in the greater Pittsburgh area. He was the executive vice president of the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, was on the board of trustees of Carlow College and was the director of United Way of Southwestern Pennsylvania.

A funeral service was held at Holy Family Church, 601 Tremont St., Duxbury, on Tuesday, Feb. 21.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be made to the Lewy Body Dementia Association, 912 Killian Hill Road S.W., Lilburn, GA 30047, lbda.org/donate.